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1. THE US MISSION'S NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTION PROGRAM (NCAP) FOR THE PHILIPPINES SINCE 1972 HAS HAD A DIRECT AND IMPORTANT IMPACT ON THE EFFORTS OF THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT TO CONTROL ILLEGAL TRAFFICKING IN NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS. AT THE SAME TIME WE INAUGURATED OUR PROGRAM, THE GOP STRENGTHENED ITS ANTI-NARCOTICS LEGISLATION AND CREATED AN INTER-DEPARTMENT, CABINET-LEVEL AGENCY -- DANGEROUS DRUGS BOARD(DDB) -- TO DEVELOP NATIONAL POLICY AND GUIDE THE NATIONWIDE PROGRAM TO REDUCE DRUG ABUSE. THE US PROGRAM HAS BEEN CONFINED TO HELPING THE GOP STRENGTHEN ITS ENFORCEMENT CAPABILITY AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKERS. IN THE RELATED FIELD OF EDUCATION, REHABILITATION, AND PREVENTION, THE NCAP HAS PROVIDED ONLY TRAINING AND TRAVEL GRANTS FOR SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, AND EXECUTIVE STUDY IN THE US AND DONATED A BASIC REFERENCE LIBRARY ON DRUG ABUSE TO THE DDB.

2. THE MOST IMPORTANT INGREDIENT IN OUR PROGRAM HAS BEEN MODERN, UP-TO-DATE TRAINING OF POLICY-MAKERS, ADMINISTRATORS, UNCLASSIFIED

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AND SUPERVISORS WHO CAN IN TURN CONVEY THE BENEFITS AND

IMPACT OF THEIR TRAINING TO OTHERS IN AN EVER WIDENING CIRCLE.

3. THE PAY OFF HAS BEEN EXTRAORDINARY. FROM A NATION BESET WITH MASSIVE NARCOTICS PROBLEMS IN EARLY 1972, WITH CHEAP AND PLENTIFUL HEROIN AVAILABLE ON THE STREETS OF MAJOR CITIES, THE PHILIPPINES IN THREE YEARS HAS WITNESSED A DRAMATIC REVERSAL. THE DECLARATION OF MARTIAL LAW IN SEPTEMBER 1972 SET THE FRAMEWORK FOR MORE INTENSIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, THE ARREST IN 1972 AND SUBSEQUENT EXECUTION OF THE OPERATOR OF A HEROIN LABORATORY SET THE TONE FOR A STRONG ENFORCEMENT EFFORT, AND INAUGURATION WITH US MISSION ASSISTANCE OF THE FIRST TRAINING COURSE FOR NARCOTICS INVESTIGATORS IN JANUARY 1973 BEGAN TO PROVIDE THE SKILLED MANPOWER NEEDED TO REDUCE THE INCIDENCE OF TRAFFICKING. BY 1974 EVEN LOW QUALITY HEROIN WAS VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND IN THE PHILIPPINES. AS MORE AND MORE TRAINED NARCOTICS TEAMS WERE FORMED AND STATIONED IN MAJOR CITIES AROUND THE COUNTRY, THE PROSPECTS OF THE PHILIPPINES BECOMING A SIGNIFICANT TRANSIT POINT FOR THE MOVEMENT OF NARCOTICS FROM THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE TO THE US DIMINISHED SIGNIFICANTLY. ALTHOUGH THE PHILIPPINES, WITH ITS THOUSANDS OF ISLANDS AND NUMEROUS AIR AND SEA CONNECTIONS WITH NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES, STILL APPEARS VULNERABLE TO INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING, THE STEADY INCREASE IN NATIONWIDE ENFORCEMENT CAPABILITY HAS HAD A DETERRENT EFFECT.

4. THE TRAINING OF TRAINERS IS ESSENTIAL. AND DEA HAS DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB IN TRAINING BOTH OVERSEAS AND IN THE U.S. BUT THE DEA TRAINING FACILITIES HAVE INSUFFICIENT CAPACITY TO MEET THE STEADILY GROWING DEMAND FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES FOR ADVANCED ENFORCEMENT TRAINING. THERE IS AN URGENT NEED TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF LIMITED SPACE AND INSUFFICIENT INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF. WITH THE DEMISE OF THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY (IPA) IN LATE 1974, WHICH HAD CONDUCTED SOME NARCOTICS TRAINING, THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE CONUS TRAINING SLOTS WAS REDUCED TO ONE-QUARTER OF THE FORMER ANNUAL QUOTA. IN THE PAST YEAR DEA TRAINING FACILITIES HAVE ENDEAVORED TO MEET BONAFIDE

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TRAINING REQUIREMENTS OF THE MANILA NCAP AND OTHER POSTS IN EA BUT JUST HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO ENLARGE ITS CAPACITY IN ORDER TO ABSORB THE TRAINING POSITIONS FORMERLY OFFERED BY IPA.

5. WE WOULD URGE URGENT ATTENTION TO WAYS AND MEANS OF INCREASING THE DEA NATIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE, BOTH AS TO CLASSROOM SPACE AND INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF IN ORDER TO

ACCOMMODATE A MUCH LARGER STUDENT BODY PER CLASS, AND
MORE CLASSES PER YEAR.
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